

OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS FOR PIGTAIL STYLE VARIABLE ATTENUATORS USING THE BLOCKING TECHNIQUE:

The Attenuator is prealigned for optimum coupling efficiency in the factory. Remove the optional sealing cap to obtain access to the radial blocking screw. Rotate the radial screw clockwise to block the collimated beam between the two plates. Use the screwdriver provided to rotate the screw. Put the sealing cap back on the blocking screw. Tighten it until you feel firm resistance from the sealing gasket. **Do not over tighten.** The attenuator is bidirectional, but for optimum conditions use the end with the mounting holes as the input side.

IMPORTANT: DO NOT ADJUST OTHER SCREWS.

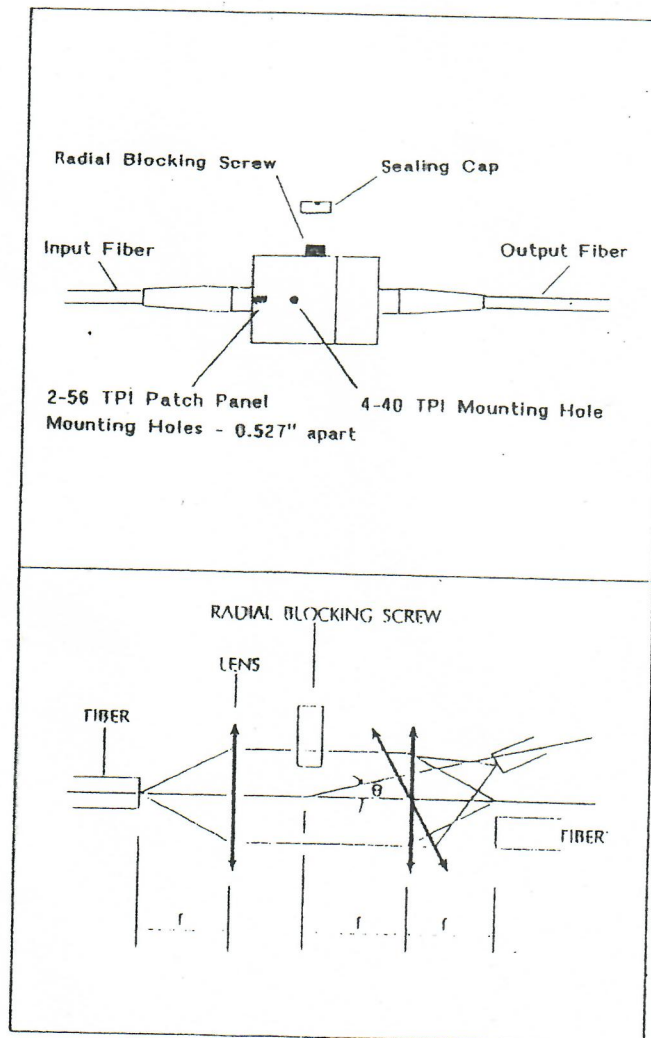


Figure 1. Operating principle of a variable attenuators using the blocking technique.

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